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## for department store workers

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## hop Stewards Unanimously Approve Officers' Recommendation for Merger With CIO's RWDSU



Stewards vote unanimously in favor of merger on recommendation of Union's officers. Expectations are for greater economic and political strength through unity.

to three hundred Local Shop Stewards present at a I meeting at the Union office e evening of March 11th gave unanimous backing to the seed merger of Local 1-S and Retail, Wholesale and Dent Store Union.

isfied that their President, Kovenetsky, and Vice Pres-Phil Hoffstein and Bill At-, had won guarantees that protect Local 1-S as an mous Union which must only to its members, the wards saw the possibilities of wera in the department store

### President Reports

his report to the Shop Stew-President Kovenetsky rethe history of Local 1-S the respect the Union has d in all sections of the

the vigorous applause of the

department leaders, their President recalled that CIO President Walter Reuther said not long ago, "If I would have to join a union again, I would choose Local 1-S!"

"But", said President Kovenetsky, "we cannot live on our past and present glory. To remain an important factor in the labor movement we must be an integral part of it. And today the trade unions of our country are uniting and increasing their bargaining and organizing strength. Either we, too, unite and increase our strength - or risk sliding back-

"The main—and most matural concern of your officers was the guaranteed independence of Local 1-S", President Kovenetsky continued. "And we won those guarantees. We know that Local 1-S members alone will continue to determine the policies of our Union, negotiate our contracts,

elect our own officers, be accorded the full respect that is our due and be allowed to secede (with all of our assets) if that should become necessary or desirable.

could we recommend the merger we now propose!"

### Questions and Answers

The following is a summary of the question and answer period which followed President Kovenetsky's report to the Stewards. The answers were given by Preside Kovenetsky, Vice Presidents Phil Hoffstein and Bill Atkinson and Local 1-S attorney Schwartz:

### Q. What is the RWDSU?

A. The RWDSU is the Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Workers Union. It is the international union to which CIO has given jurisdiction over all retail, wholesale and department store local unions and for organizing workers in these industries.

### Q. What is the program of the RWDSU?

A. The RWDSU's Constitution says, in its Declaration of Objectives and Principles, that it ". reaffirms its devotion to the principles of industrial unionism as enunciated by the Congress of In-dustrial Organizations." It states as its objective the uniting within it "all workers employed in or

about retail, wholesale, department store, warehouse" etc., in order to "advance and safeguard their economic and social welfare".

The Constitution further declares that the RWDSU, "will strive to preserve the democratic processes of our country, protect civil liberties and aid in the adoption of legislation which will promote the economic and social welfare of its members and that of

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Official Notice

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 5th, 7:30 P.M.

MANHATTAN CENTER 34th Street & 8th Avenue

\$2 Assessment to the Welfare Fund for unexcused absence Admission by 1955 Union Card only

### **BRANCH STORE NEWS**

#### **FLATBUSH**

Anne Bowen (F10) has been appointed our new Credit Union representative. She and Marion Hermann of the Service Desk are now making collections and taking applications for loans and savings on Mondays and Fridays during lunch hour . . . Esther Karp (F8) is quite excited over her daughter's piano audition on WQXR on April 24th . . . WEDDINGS: Mrs. Etta Phillips (F3) and Ruth Waldman (F9) an-



nounce the coming marriage of their daughters.

. . . The Selected Fifties extend thanks to all
who helped the success of the cake sale. The proceeds will go toward the purchase of 53 bunnies for the unfortunate children on Welfare Island. . . . Pat Anastasia has two important dates to remember—the 3rd and 4th of April. What makes them important, Pat? . . . Letitia Shuckes (F2) expects a blessed event . . . Ann Rosenfeld (F4) is recuperating after surgery and Ann Siegel (F6) is still out ill. Hope both recover and return soon . . . Happy to report that Mrs. B. Langer (F6) has returned after surgery . . . Rissie Moskowitz (Drapes) just celebrated a birthday and Hannah Singer (F6) another anniversary. . . . A tip to the wise: Read the new Health Plan books carefully and know what you're entitled to. Don't wait for an emergency. Know before hand!

### WHITE PLAINS

Chairman Jim reports the new Committee to be operating in both an effective and efficient manner. "As elected representatives of the White Plains members, we insist upon prompt admini-stration of the contract in order that our people will obtain the best working conditions and services available," the Committee states. "If we all cooperate with one another and have confidence in our Committee, we will continue to gain and benefit". . . Vinnie Lepore, "Click" Ruppert, Keith Toucey and Gus Selino made a



trip to the Mardi Gras. From what we hear, our boys wowed 'em. . . . Belated congrats in order to Barbara Isaacs and Steve Strozza. Steve is star pitcher on our softball team.... Our Vice Chairman, Fred Ernst, promoting fellowship by starting bowling sessions every Monday night. Good turnouts have featured this activity.... Elizabeth Miller, Service Good turnouts have featured this activity. . . . Elizabeth Miller, Service Desk, and Joe Cohen, Rugs, are both out ill. We wish them both a speedy recovery. . . . Let's have 100% attendance at our next Shop Steward meeting. That is where the day-to-day problems can best be dealt with. . . . But above all, let's all make sure to plan on a trip to New York on Tuesday, April 5th. That's the night of our General Membership Meeting at Manhattan Center. See you there!

### PARKCHESTER

Our recently elected store committee consists of Andy Feleccia, Al Smith and Katherine Hallihan. Congratulations to all three of them for the confidence they have earned among us. Andy is a newcomer to the committee, but as a former Administrator is no stranger to Union affairs. He is also our elected representative on the Welfare Board. I think I can safely say that the Committee can expect 100% cooperation from every one of us in the store. . . . On the



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sick list, and we we wish them all a very speedy recovery, are: Margaret Gaffney of the Men's Shop, Naomi Coyne, P7, Rose Christopher, Greeting Cards, Virginia Robinson, P8, Rose Nisita, P10, Ann Zazila, P10, Jo Lasker, P4, Tilly Heitzner, P2 and Rose Goldberg of the Flying Squad. . . Our most sincere condolences to Yetta Nackman of P10, Helen Dick, P10, Helen Goldberg, P10, Joe Iello and Lillian Branca of the Men's Shop. All have suffered recent bereavements . . . Congratulations to Annette Tambarino of P12 who has become a proud grandmather. has become a proud grandmother . . . Marichian Scheeran, formerly of P10, is now in Herald Square. We miss her and wish her luck . . . The stork is flying over Cosmetics again. Guess who! . . . Natalie Tully of P2 is dieting and says, "Get out your ration stamps—the beef is being sliced off!"

### **JAMAICA**

You can just bet that our Jamaica Bowling Team will come out on top. They trimmed all three teams (Branch) at a recent tournament at the "Roxy Bowling". They are really hot—so come on all you contenders, we're ready for you . . . Good luck to Paula Oliveto, who is now at the Service Desk and to Bea Galderisi, comely receptionist in the Beauty Salon and formerly of the Soda Bar . . . to Edna Nerenberg, recently elected Shop Steward from J4 Coats . . . Congratulations and all our best wishes to Tom Anderson who became the proud father of Vicki Lynne—8 pounds, 7 ounces—who made her bow into this world on February 24th . . . It's wonderful to know that Dave "Smilin'" Jackson is back with us after a long illness . . . Best wishes to Sally Beese of J2 upon the marriage of her daughter, only to be saddened by the death of her mother . . . Condolences to Amy Hillman of the Order Board on the loss of her father . . . Edna McMullen of the Service Desk invited all her good friends to a housewarming at her new apartment on St. Patricks Day. A wonderful time was had by all . . . If ever the long trek into the city was important, the coming meeting at Manhattan Center justifies it. Macy's refusal to negotiate and the proposed merger demand the participation and serious consideration of all of us who are concerned. Let's make it a point to have the kind of turnout that will show our interest and our unswerving support to our Union!

## Stewards Approve Merger...

(Continued from page 1) labor in general. Through unity of purpose and action, through collective bargaining and legislation the Retail, Wholesale and Depart-ment Store Union is dedicated to the ideal of making the jobs of its members the best jobs that can be devised from the point of view of wages, hours of work, physical conditions and human relations." Q. Will the RWDSU have any right to tell us how to run our

Union? A. No! Both under the RWDSU Constitution and the terms of the agreement we have reached with them, they will in no way have the right or power to interfere in

our internal affairs. Only the members of Local 1-S will make decisions affecting our Union. O. If Gimbels, for example,

should go out on strike would

we have to go out too? A. The answer to the question is "No", but suppose you turn the question around and ask, "If we go out on strike would Gimbels have to go out?". The fact is that as part of an international union representing other department store workers we can expect mutual cooperation and support. And don't forget, our contract expires next February and we are likely to be the first to benefit from that cooperation.

Q. Just what will our relationship be with the other organized department stores? A. First of all, Local 1-S has been offered the opportunity to name the RWDSU's Executive Vice President who will be in charge of their department store division. Second, we will name a Local 1-S member who will be a Vice President of the RWDSU. Third, we will name representatives to the Council of the RWDSU. They will meet with representatives of all other local unions affiliated with the RWDSU.

Problems relating to the com-mon good will be discussed and dealt with. But no decisions affecting individual locals can be made without the participation of the local itself.

The Constitution and By-Laws of Local 1-S will continue to deter-

## **Last Call For Summer Camp**

## **Applications**

April 7th is the absolute deadline for filing applications for the Local 1-S Summer Camp and Friendly Town program for children between the ages of 7 and 12.

Operated in conjunction with the Greater New York Fund, the camp program made pleasant vacations possible for many hundreds of New York children, including those of 1-S members.

Applications for the Summer Camp program are available at the Union office, and must be filled out and on record no later than April 7th.

You owe it to yourself and your child to plan a pleasant vacation.

HELP!

LEGAL CLINIC SOCIAL SERVICE **COMPENSATION AID** 

Free of Charge at the UNION OFFICE Every Wednesday From 5 to 7 P.M. mine how we run our own affairs. Q. What purpose will the merger serve?

A. In this period we see unions throughout the country merging with each other. Differences are being buried in the interest of advancing a positive economic pro-

Our Union is strong, and we have always taken pride in that strength. But there can be no doubt that we gain additional strength when we are in a position to call on the money and manpower resources of an organization with more than 150,000 members as compared with our 8000. Q. What will the merger mean to our relations with

Macy's?
A. We will continue to be solely responsible for the negotiations of contracts with the company. But it will also mean that through the greater resources of the International Union we may be able to speed up the work of organizing the unorganized department store workers and of giving the leadership that will enable the already

organized stores to raise their level to the point we have already reached.

These gains would make it impossible for Macy's to try to justify not bargaining in good faith because we are far asead of the

Conclusion

others.

After all the questions had been asked, and answered to the satisfaction of the Stewards, one took the floor and remarked, "It seems to me that under this merger we will keep all of our rights and gain additional privileges, I think that's good for us!"

And it became evident that the others did, too. As President Kovenetsky asked all those in favor to raise their hands, a wave of arms shot into the air. When he asked if any were opposed, there wasn't a move in the Union's large audi-

The motion in favor of merging Local 1-S with the Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union was passed unanimously and re-ferred to the membership for final action on April 5th.

## **Union Presses Drive to Defeat Macy Arrogance**



Macy "No-man" Fischer

"Macy's policy of refusing to bargain in good faith will only serve to strengthen our determination to press on to a full victory", declared President Sam Kovenet-

Citing the fact that the Union is prepared to submit its whole list of demands to an impartial arbitrator, the Local 1-S leader said, "It is not for us to determine whether or not an arbitrator will consider all of our demands under our present re-opening.

"All we know and are concerned with is the fact that our demands reflect the actual needs of the men and women who work in the store and that it is the job and responsibility of the Union to fight for them!

"Macy's arrogant refusal to so much as make an effort to nego-tiate", the President continued, "is further proof of their absolute disregard for the people they emDemand Highlights

The Union's twelve demands awaiting a hearing before an arbi-

A 10 cent an hour wage

Higher minimum wage

Reduction in hours from 40 to 35 per week with no cut in take home pay. No cut in pay for those trans-

ferred to a lower rate job to avoid a layoff.

Fully automatic wage structure from minimum to maximum.

Increased pension payment to \$50 a month above Social Security and Profit Sharing. Job evaluation to eliminate all

inequities. Limit the company's right to change schedules without the

consent of the individual. Twelve sick days each year in

addition to present sick leave provisions.

Pay for supper hour when per-forming overtime work. Commissions to be paid on mail orders and commission department merchandise moved to tables.

A contractual guarantee covering sponsoring pay.

Action Urged In a leaslet to the membership the Union's officers urged that Macy's top command be called upon to bargain in good faith.

All members were asked to write or phone Mr. Jack Straus, Mr. Wheelock Bingham or Mr. Fred Fischer demanding that the company honestly negotiate with the Union.

If you haven't done it yet— DO IT NOW! Make your voice heard in support of your demands and your Union!

### LOCAL 1-S NEWS

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## **Talking** Shop By Vice Presidents



Mil Hoffstein

Bill Atkinson

In this, and in alternate issues of the Local 1-S NEWS that will ollow, we will discuss and analyze grievances and topics of general interest. Our aim in doing this is to alert the entire membership to otoblems that have been encountered and resolved in one area of the pre so that similar problems might be more speedily and effectively lealt with if they arise in another area. We also hope that this column vill help deepen the membership's understanding of events relating to the well-being of the Union as a whole.

We have noted, for instance, a number of cases in which members digible for promotions have not even been considered because they ad-at some time in the past-ruled themselves out. They did this by stating to the Macy record office that they were interested only in rtain specific promotional jobs. On this basis, and in spite of adequate eniority and experience, Macy's has flatly refused to call such people in for interviews.

The Union has taken the position all along that members should under no circumstances close the door on themselves. When called for m interview you always have the right to decline specific openings and to wait for the one you may be interested in. But it is always possible that a good one will come along for which you would have vanted to be considered.

The trouble is that you will never even know about it-and will ever be interviewed for it-unless you have told the record office that want to be considered for any better job that opens.

It is our understanding that Macy's plans, in the near future, to minterview everyone in the store. We urge you to make sure that your secord leaves the door wide open. Do not list specific promotion preferences, because if you do those will be the only jobs the company rill call you for-and you might wait years for a well-earned advance-

Within the next few weeks the Union will be distributing-through is Floor Committees and Shop Stewards—a revised form of the Local 18 Better Job Questionnaire. This questionnaire enables your Union protect your rights to better jobs as you become eligible for them. The new questionnaire will take the place of the older one now on word at the Union office. Every member MUST fill out the new form if the Union is to have the information needed to challenge the company fand when they fail to live up to both the letter and the spirit of the

In the course of our travels through selling, non-selling and offices we heard and overheard considerable comment about Macy's recent birthday party—and none of it was flattering to Macy's, we're pleased

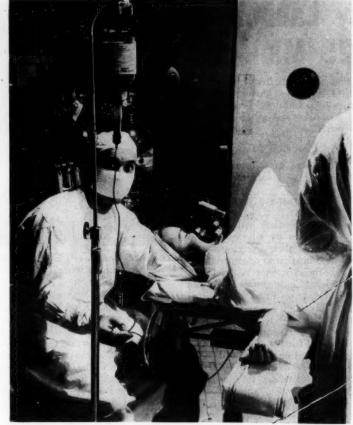
The prevailing attitude seemed to be, "Sure we go to their parties and eat their food. After all, it's not often that we get a chance to get way from the grind for a while. But if Macy's thinks that we are mady to accept those crumbs as a substitute for our contract demands they must be crazy!"

We also learned that a number of people deliberately stayed away because it was the only way they knew to show their disapproval of Macy's refusal to negotiate in good faith with the Union. They were is fearful that the company might use such an affair to try to convince be innocent that the boss is the worker's best friend.

One member who had obviously not joined Macy's in celebrating mother prosperous year was heard saying to a co-worker, "I don't hink those who went did any harm, but just imagine the good they could have done for themselves if they had stayed away!"

During the past several weeks your officers have been touring the urious divisions. The purpose of these periodic pilgrimages is to keep urselves fully informed as to the nature of each operation in the fore so that we can most effectively deal with grievances and negotiaions concerning them. We have tried to miss nothing, but if we have on can be sure that we will be getting to it in the near future.

Wherever we go we find a quite natural interest in the state of our demated negotiations with Macy's. Up to now the company is standing at on its refusal to bargain and the Union is firm in its insistence that four needs demand serious consideration. We are now concerned with fiding an impartial arbitrator to judge the merits of your case. resident Sam Kovenetsky will have a full report for you at the embership meeting on April 5th.



Who will the Blood Bank save next? One never knows . . .

## BLOOD BANK POURS OUT AID TO STRICKEN MEMBERS and FAMILIES

In the 74 days that elapsed between the first of January and the 15th of March Local 1-S had released a total of 111 pints of blood from the Blood Bank. This does not include blood released by Macy's to executive and exempt

in part by the extension of coverage to the parents of married as

The increased utilization of the Blood Bank dramatically underscores the necessity of a tremendous turnout for the 1955 drive which is scheduled for May.

In order to provide themselves and their families with the continued protection of the Bank, every Union member must begin to plan now to sign a Pledge Sheet when it comes around.

The Pledge Sheet is simply a declaration of a willingness to give to the Blood Bank if the Red Cross physicians and nurses find you physically able to safely

Based on the Blood Bank's experiences over the past four years it is evident that the special target of this year's drive must be those who have never given blood

Every man and woman who is an experienced donor should now become a recruiting agent and help convince the Blood Bank newcomer that giving to the Bank is easy and painless.

Help them understand that the Bank stands ready to protect them and their loved ones and they will more readily understand the necessity of rolling up their sleeves and volunteering.

Based on the response to the May campaign the joint Local 1-S, Macy's Blood Bank Committee will determine the extent of possible coverage during the coming Blood Bank year. Originally protection was available to Union members or exempt personnel and their husbands or wives and children covered by the Health Plan. This was subsequently broadened to temporarily include the parents of single members, and more re-cently to include the parents of married members as well.

The final answer is up to you. BE SURE TO SIGN A PLEDGE SHEET!

### **New Board**

The following is the complete list of Executive Board and Floor Committee members elected in the recently concluded series of Divisional Meetings.

White Plains James Heleringer Fred Ernst Helen Ruderman Jamaica

Anthony LaSalvia Edward Hansell Chris Murphy

Flatbush Frieda Pariser Fred Kramer Anthony Biondo

Andrew Feliccia Alfred Smith Katherine Hallihan

Parkchester

Elvio Cotti Tania Shostak Eleanor Philips Street Floor

Jack Steinman Helen Boyle Ann Muller

2nd Floor Ann Gutowski William Yengle Ann Arata

3rd Floor

Ceil Curry Esther Greenberg Katherine Blatt 4th Floor

Mary Boyd Ceil Alperin Beatrice Montgomery 5th Floor

Jerome Harte Irving Smooke Ann Berman 6th Floor

Morris Telzer Earl Fulford Eugene Rawdin 7th Floor

Joseph Dell Armo John Milito David Greenberg 8th Floor Charles Boyd

Marion Cook Dorothea Andrews\* 9th Floor Neal Kuypers Ceil Goldberg

Rubin Kaplan\* Controllers Ruby Butscher John Witch

Richard Moore Ad.-Display, B of S Adam Graham Bernard Devlin Jack Weiner\*

DA-CT Mildred Kaplonski Gertrude Beisen Sylvia Temple

Olga Moscatelli Veronica Fraites Virginia Girardin

Comparison Madeline Lawder William Hardy\* Mary Walsh\*

Packing Helene Roberts William Carey

Augustine Tompkins Alteration & Repair Harry Leibowitz Mary Delfino

Housekeeping Raymond Peer John Clifford

Receiving Tony Gentile Avion De Lagarde John Lee

MTE Harry Webster Food

Christian Ryan Evans Judson Supply

Joseph Baumann

needs of Union members them-

personnel who are also covered.

due to a sharp increase in the

The heavy flow is accounted for well as single members. It is also

CONQUER NEW YORK CITY CANCER COMMITTEE

### HEALTH PLAN NOTE

If you plan to take a leave of absence (including maternity and military leave) for more than 30 days or if you leave the store and wish to continue your Health Plan coverage on a direct payment basis YOU MUST see the Local 1-S Health Plan Consultant at the Union office within 30 days from the end of the month in which you leave the store.

If you, or a member of your family covered by the Health Plan, enters the hospital you MUST call on the Union office for claim forms immediately on entering or as soon as possible thereafter.

Protect yourself - protect your family - protect your benefits. Be sure to come to the Union office

on time!

## City-Wide Rally Launches Fight For \$1.25 Minimum

Close to five hundred CIO shop stewards, including a large delegation from Local 1-S headed by President Sam Kovenetsky and Vice Presidents Phil Hoffstein and Bill Atkinson, mapped a fighting program for the realization of the \$1.25 an hour minimum wageincluding the retail industry-during this session of Congress.

The Saturday morning conference was called by the New York City CIO Council as an apparent outgrowth of an earlier call by the Local 1-S President for a citywide meeting of a similar order.

The spirited meeting reflected the grassroots determination to impress upon the Congress the urgent need for the higher minimums for those whose earnings are lower than \$1.25 and the need for safeguarding the jobs and earnings of those making above it.

The stewards warmly received greetings and pledges of support from New York's Senators Herbert Lehman and Irving Ives, Governor Harriman, Mayor Wagner, State Attorney General Jacob Javits and leaders of both the CIO and AFL

They also heard strong speeches and appeals for action by speakers including CIO's Regional Director Michael Mann, State CIO Presi-

dent Louis Hollander and City CIO Secretary Morris Iushewitz, as well as Local 1-S President Sam Kovenetsky and other union representatives.

#### **Program Mapped**

The large turnout of stewards supported a program that calls

- An immediate petition campaign to all Congressmen.
- An immediate letter writing campaign by all Union members to their Congressmen.
- A campaign to organize neighborhood groups of friends to visit Congressmen at their homes to urge their active support.
- Delegations to Washington to deliver signed petitions and to press further for pledges of cooperation.
- A mass meeting of CIO and AFL members to even more strongly state labor's demand for this vital legislation.

A resolution introduced by Local 1-S calling for "an aggressive campaign designed to win public support from all workers in this area and from our representatives in both houses of Congress" was

In a ringing speech, President



Local I-S leaders and CIO's Regional Director Michael Mann, flanked by the Union's large delegation, adde their strength to labor's fight for the \$1.25 an hour minimum for allincluding retail workers,

Sam Kovenetsky castigated the present national administration for "talking out of both sides of its mouth" on issues affecting labor.

He said, "Shops that run away to low wage areas hurt the retail industry and all others. That is why we fight for the industrial worker and expect him to support us in our effort to win inclusion in the Federal minimum wage law.

"Let us bring the grassroots people to Washington so the politicians will know how they feel! Let us show the Congress-and the nation-that we regard the \$1.25

necessity!"

In addition to Local 1-S, the Textile Workers Union, the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, the Transport Workers and the Furniture Workers were represented by large delegations. Numerous oth unions were represented by small er contingents.

The first step in the action pro gram is the petition on this page Clip it and use it NOW!

7:00 PM

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## Steward Meeting Calendar

1st Wednesday of every month PAC 2nd Tuesday of every month 7:00 PM

Receiving, Packing, Food, Supply, MTE, Alterations, Repair, Housekeeping Tues., April 19

#### 2, 3 and 4th Floors Wed., April 13th an hour minimum, including the adopted by a unanimous vote. retail industry, as a must and a

### it's up to you!

Here's what YOU can do to make sure that every Congressman in Washington knows how the people feel about the \$1.25 an hour minimum wage-including workers in the retail industry.

Cut out the petition below. Sign it yourself. Then have

NAME

your husband or wife, mother and father, and friends and neighbors sign it.

If every member of our Union gets only ten signa-tures, we alone will have a total of 80,000 names to bring to Congress.

DO IT NOW - and either bring your filled petition to the membership meeting on April 5th or return it directly to the Union office.

This is urgent. WE WILL NOT FAIL IF YOU DO YOUR PART!

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### PERSONALS

FOR SALE-Biltrite baby carriage, crib and mattress and stroller. Will sell as a unit or separately. Phone DI 6-3016.

FOR SALE-Modern seven piece bedroom set. Foam rubber mattres bookcase, headboard. Mahogany cordovan finish. Like New. Also ne Simmons folding cot. Very Reasonable. Call CL 9-8729 after 7PM FOR RENT—In Parkchester section, one 3 room and one 3½ room apt. with all new improvements. Near transportation. \$85. Busine couple only. Phone SY 2-0451 after 7PM.

FOR RENT—Five room basement apt. newly redecorated. Private house and entrance. Bensonhurst. Reasonable rent or will share. Phoce CL 9-8729 after 7PM.

FOR RENT-Furnished and unfurnished rooms. Half block from 233rd Street White Plains line station. Reasonable. Phone FA 4-7563 after

WANTED-11/2 or 2 room unfurnished apartment in Manhattan. \$60-\$65. Phone GI 7-3170 after 4PM.

WANTED-2 or 21/2 room apartment. Phone CY 4-1461 after 8PM. WANTED-Baby carriage and crib. Please call GL 3-0473 after 6PM or before 11AM.

WANTED-Full set Encyclopedia Brittanica in good condition. Phone

Personal ads for the Local 1-S NEWS must be received at the Union office by the 1st or 15th day of each month. Ads received on the 1st will appear in the issue dated the 15th. Those received on the 15th will appear in the issue dated the 1st of the following the issue dated the 1st of the 1 appear in the issue dated the 1st of the following month. This is offer as a service to members of Local 1-S and there is no charge for person | ads.

TO ALL CONGRESSMEN REPRESENTING DISTRICTS OF NEW YORK CITY, NASSAU, | SUFFOLK AND WESTCHESTER COUNTIES AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY:

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED hereby declare ourselves in support of a Federal minimum wage of not less than \$1.25 an hour. We also urge that the provisions of the law be extended to those millions of American workers employed in the Retail Industry.

The economic well-being of our people and our nation depends upon our ability to buy the things we produce. A minimum wage of \$1.25 an hour, extended to those now excluded, will substantially LA 5-3305 evenings. increase the purchasing power of all workers and will materially add to the strength of our economy.

Nothing less than \$1.25 an hour minimum wage will begin to adequately meet the needs of those earning less! We therefore urge you to Speak For, Work For, and Vote For a Federal Wage minimum of \$1.25 an hour—INCLUDING RETAIL WORKERS.

MEDICAL PLAN—For the name and address of the doctor, dentist, optometrist or podiatrist nearest you CALL the Union Office—WA 4-4540 or Associated Physicians Medical Group— BU 8-4210 (Night or Day). Complete schedule of fees available upon request.

BLOOD BANK—If you need blood from the Blood Bank CALL the Union Office—WA 4-4540.

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